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### LOK SABHA

The following Bill was introduced in the Lok Sabha on 2nd December, 1954:—

BILL\* No. 52 OF 1954

*A Bill further to amend the Delhi Joint Water and Sewage Board Act, 1926, for certain purposes.*

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Fifth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

**1. Short title and commencement.**—(1) This Act may be called the Delhi Joint Water and Sewage Board (Amendment) Act, 1954.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

**2. Amendment of section 12, Act XXIII of 1926.**—The proviso to sub-section (1) of section 12 of the Delhi Joint Water and Sewage Board Act, 1926 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act) shall be omitted.

**3. Amendment of section 13, Act XXIII of 1926.**—The proviso to sub-section (4) of section 13 of the principal Act shall be omitted.

**4. Amendment of section 14, Act XXIII of 1926.**—In section 14 of the principal Act,—

(i) in sub-section (1), the words “or, in the case of an excess over the three annas rate payable by the Delhi Municipal Committee, from the Central Government” shall be omitted;

(ii) in sub-section (2), the words, figures and brackets “or, in the case of any amount recovered in excess from the Central Government under sub-section (4) of section 13, to the Central Government” shall be omitted;

(iii) sub-sections (3) and (4) shall be omitted.

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\*The President has, in pursuance of clause (I) of article 117 of the Constitution of India, recommended to the Lok Sabha the introduction of the Bill.

**5. Omission of section 14B, Act XXIII of 1926.**—Section 14B of the principal Act shall be omitted.

**6. Insertion of new section 14F in Act XXIII of 1926.**—After section 14E of the principal Act, the following shall be inserted, namely:—

*“Manner of recovery of certain sums due to the Board*

**14F. Recovery of certain sums due to the Board as arrears of land revenue.**—Any sums due under an agreement entered into under section 14A or in respect of the sale of any effluent or sludge under sub-section (2) of section 14C may, on a certificate issued by the President of the Board to the effect that the sums are due and have remained unpaid for not less than three months, be recovered by the Collector of the Delhi District in the same manner as an arrear of land revenue, from the person with whom the agreement was made or from any other person who has benefited from the supply of water or, as the case may be, from the person to whom the effluent or sludge was sold.”

#### STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The proviso to sub-section (1) of section 12 of the Delhi Joint Water and Sewage Board Act, 1926, makes the Central Government responsible in certain circumstances for payment of a part of the dues of the Delhi Municipal Committee to the Delhi Joint Water and Sewage Board in respect of filtered water supplied by the latter to the former. It is considered that there is no justification for Government undertaking an indefinite and recurring liability of this kind in the case of the Delhi Municipal Committee alone, especially, when other local bodies in Delhi pay their full dues to the Delhi Joint Water and Sewage Board. The present Bill seeks to relieve the Government of India of this liability by deleting the proviso to sub-section (1) of section 12 of the Act. It also makes certain other consequential changes in the Act.

The Act also requires amendment for another purpose. Sewage effluent is supplied to a number of private individuals for cultivation purposes at certain rates by the Board. In recent years a number of these persons have defaulted payment to the Board. The Bill proposes to recover arrears from such defaulters as arrears of land revenue.

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NEW DELHI;

*The 11th November, 1954.*

M. N. KAUL,

*Secretary.*